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In re Patent Application of:
Jay M. Meythaler et al.

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For: METHOD FOR REDUCING OBSTRUCTIVE
HYDROCEPHALUS

Examiner: R. A. Davis

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

By this Office Action, the Examiner has required restriction to one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. §121:

- I. Claims 1 – 25, 36 and 38, drawn to a method for reducing CSF flow obstruction.
- II. Claims 26 - 35 and 37, drawn to a kit.

Responsive to the restriction requirement, Applicant elects to prosecute the invention of Group I directed to a method for reducing CSF flow obstruction, corresponding to claims 1 – 25, **without traverse.**

Consistent with this restriction requirement a species election is also required as between claims of Group I as to types of clot-reducing agents. Applicant elects (b) a defibrinogenic agent and of among defibrinogenic agents (q) ancrod. Claims 1-4, 9, 10, 12, 36, and 38 are consonant with this election.

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Respectfully submitted,

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